About Project Learning Tree



Project Learning Tree continues to set the standard for environmental education excellence at the elementary, middle and secondary levels. PLT increases students' understanding of our complex environment. PLT is designed to teach students how to think, not what to think about environmental issues.



PLT Sponsors

PLT is sponsored nationally by the American Forest Foundation (AFF), a non-profit education and conservation organization.

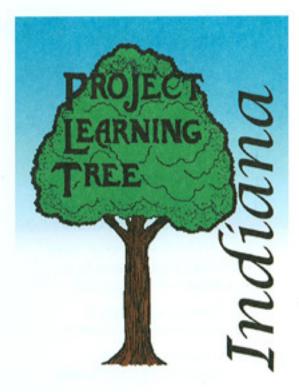
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The Cornerstone for Environmental Education

PLT Works!

- Elementary activities designed for all subject areas, settings, learning styles
- Secondary modules tied to current issues
- Correlations to Indiana State Learning Standards
- Complete training for formal and non-formal educators
- Connections to local, state, and national networks for resources and support
- Service learning and community involvement
- Themes, storylines, assessment opportunities
- Fully-tested in classrooms and independently evaluated

PLT Materials

From Awareness to Responsible Action

The PLT materials consist of the PreK-8 Activity Guide and Secondary Modules for High School level. The multidisciplinary activities are carefully designed for specific grade levels and learning objectives.

Each Activity Provides:

For Educators:

Background and preparation instructions; materials and time requirements; suggested variations; assessment opportunities; and appropriate grade levels and subjects, skills and objectives.

For Students:

Exciting, effective and fun opportunities to learn—all proven, by independent evaluators, to increase environmental knowledge, reasoning and academic skills.

Secondary Modules Available:

Exploring Environmental Issues: Focus on Forests

The Changing Forest: Forest Ecology

Municipal Solid Waste

Focus on Risk

The Places We Live (Spring 05)

Forests of the World (2006)



Make PLT Part of Your Plan



WORKSHOPS!

- Educators receive PLT materials only after participating in a workshop.
- Workshops can be tailored for specific schools, audiences or interests.
- Indiana PLT is a sponsor of Certification Renewal Units (CRUs) and Professional Growth Experience Points for licensed teachers.
- Advanced workshops are offered on specific topics.
- If you would like to attend a
 workshop, become a
 workshop facilitator or get more
 information about PLT in your
 area, contact the Indiana state
 coordinator at 317.549.0354 or
 plt@dnr.IN.gov. Visit the
 website of the Natural
 Resources Education Center,
 www.IN.gov/dnr/nrec for a
 schedule of workshops.